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The International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patent 5,733,343 is a substantively cumulative English language counterpart of WO 95/01772, U.S. Patents 2005/091764 and 2003/066143 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of WO 01/66646, U.S. Patents 2004/049020 and 2003/177591 are substantively cumulative English language counterparts of WO 02/31056, and U.S. Patent 2005/120493 is a substantively cumulative English language

counterpart of WO 03/076518. English language abstracts are also included for DE 3724642 and EP 1366756.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form.

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### U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	5,733,343	3/98	Möckli	8	426	
	2005/091764	5/05	Möckli	8	405	
	2003/066143	4/03	Möckli	8	405	
	2004/049020	3/04	Möckli	534	767	
	2003/177591	9/03	Möckli	8	405	
	2005/120493	6/05	Möckli	8	405	
	4,294,756	10/81	Kühlthau	260	163	

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO
	3724642	2/89	Germany				
	1366756	12/03	Europe				

### OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	English language abstract for DE 3724642, February 2, 1989
	English language abstract for EP 1366756, December 3, 2003

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